

HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

MR. CARNEGIE SPEAKS AT CORNERSTONE LAYING.

Practical Opportunities for Free Education Here—Mr. Hewitt Writes That Foundation of Carrying on School Should Be Taken Up by Donors—The Plans.

The cornerstone of the High School of Commerce building, in Sixty-fifth street near Broadway, was laid yesterday afternoon by Miles J. O'Brien, President of the Board of Education, who also acted as master of the attendant ceremonies. Address were delivered by Mr. O'Brien and Andrew Carnegie, and a letter from Abram S. Hewitt, who was prevented from being present by the inclement weather, was read.

After telling the purpose of the new school Mr. O'Brien introduced Mr. Carnegie, who said in part:

"I regret exceedingly the absence of Mr. Hewitt. It is my earnest hope that he may live to see the realization of all the plans he has for increasing the facilities for higher education.

"The importance of this new school of Commerce in the United States has become the greatest country in the world in the export of industrial products and it is certain that eventually we are to become the greatest in the export of manufactures. For this reason there is great need for such a School of Commerce as this.

"The city of New York affords splendid opportunities for free education; better than are afforded in England or Scotland. In England, when reporters came to me to ask about the terrible city of New York, I pointed out the Department of Education of the city as an example of a department far exceeding anything in their country. I trust the day is not far distant when Mr. Hewitt will be called to lay the cornerstone of a School for Mechanical Arts."

In his letter, Mr. Hewitt wrote: "There is no reason to doubt that the School of Commerce and the School of Mechanical Arts, when they are put in operation, will fully justify the expectations of the Board of Education and of the enlightened experts who advocate their establishment."

"The necessity for a School of Commerce has been so apparent that the Chamber of Commerce of this State, in connection with the trustees of Columbia University, have formulated a plan for the creation of such an institution which, it is my hope, will be developed in the building of which the cornerstone is laid today."

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"I am particularly solicitous that the burden of carrying on the school shall be taken up by donors, who will consider it a privilege to maintain the center of instruction where the highest principles of commercial integrity shall be taught to the young men of this rising generation, into whose culture the fair fame of this great city will be confided."

"In the same way I have reason to think that the School of Mechanical Arts, when established in connection with the existing machinery of the Cooper Union and the Academy of Art, will be a great benefit to the city. The time has arrived when American youth ought to be trained to perform the difficult duties which heretofore have been performed in our midst."

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MR. LOW WILL TELL TO-MORROW

The Names of Some of the Men He Has Chosen for City Office.

Seth Low was notified officially yesterday of his election as Mayor. Commissioner Page of the Bureau of Elections went to his home at Madison avenue and Sixty-fourth street in the morning and handed to him the certificate of election.

"It is a little better than a notification of nomination," Mr. Mayor, said Mr. Page. Mr. Low smiled as he recalled the committee that had waited on him in the same parlour.

"It is rather more convincing," he said. "I thank you heartily for your personal presentation of this document," he added, as he read the paper.

Mr. Low said he would have some appointments to announce to the public on Monday, and that until then he would have nothing to say about the nomination he had selected.

Mr. Low remarked that no one except himself knew all the men he had selected and that no one could make better than a guess at their names. All hands are convinced that George Sears Greene, the brother of the President of the Asphalt Trust, has been bowed out as Deputy Mayor.

Thomas W. Hyne, the Chief Examiner of Accounts in the Finance Department, is a new candidate for the office of Commissioner of the Board of Education. Charles J. Henry and Matthew J. Green are also candidates, and John W. Hutchinson is under consideration.

It was said yesterday that Isaac M. Kapper, one of the anti-Wiloughby street Democrats of Brooklyn, who helped Senator O'Brien in his fight to be retained in the Kings county general committee when he had been read out of the party by the managers, had been asked to become one of the commissioners of the Board of Education. Mr. Kapper would have been willing to be the Assistant Corporation Counsel in charge of the Board of Education, but he was given to James McKee, he said he would not accept any other office.

Many fire insurance men and wholesale drygoods men have endorsed Edward Gerry, the Vice-President of the Board of the Home Insurance Company of this city, for City Commissioner.

TO AMEND PRIMARY LAW.

Assemblyman John A. Weeks Says the Transfer System Must Go.

Assemblyman John A. Weeks made it known last night that a bill will be introduced in the next session of the Legislature for the amendment of the existing Primary laws. Although he did not himself say so, it was learned that it is he who will father the proposed bill.

It was at a dinner given last night in the Madison Square Garden Hotel by the Madison Square Garden Club that Mr. Weeks spoke of the intention that the Republican party to change the Primary system. The purpose of the dinner was to enable the club to felicitate itself upon having elected its candidates for Assemblyman and Alderman, respectively John A. Weeks and Herbert Parsons.

About three hundred men attended the feast. Among the number were the leading leaders of the Republican party, and several of the prominent workers for the fusion ticket who are not allied with the Republican organization.

In his address Mr. Weeks said that such things as occurred in the recent fight between Foley and Divver must be rendered impossible in the future. The transfer system must be totally abolished or transfers must be filed sixty days before the primaries. The enrollment books must be open to public inspection at least thirty days before the primaries. In case of primary contests the tickets must be designated by some emblem so that the rights of the electors be maintained. It must not be that the names of respectable citizens appear on the primary tickets without their consent or knowledge for the purpose of misleading the voters.

Mr. Weeks put himself on record as being opposed to any modification of the existing Sunday liquor-selling law. Mr. Parsons, Abraham Gruber, John S. Wise, Senator Nathaniel Elsborg, McLaughlin, Lawless, James R. Burnett and Charles W. Anderson.

TIM SULLIVAN'S \$2,000 DINNER.

Christmas in His District Is the Free-for-All.

Senator Timothy D. Sullivan, who is residing at Hot Springs, Ark., after the fatigue and disappointment of the campaign, has sent a check for \$2,000 to Alderman-elect Timothy P. Sullivan for the annual Christmas dinner to the ledgers and other shipwrecked sailors in his district who are not able to invest in the material for a Christmas dinner. He says in a letter inclosing the check:

"Though I am a poor fellow, give the boys the best dinner they ever had. If more money is needed I am ready to send \$10,000 more."

A meeting of the election district captains was held yesterday at 207 Bowery, the headquarters of the Timothy D. Sullivan Association, where the dinner is to be given, at which the captains appointed their selves waiters at the dinner. Repeaters will be excused.

Two Yachts Ordered of the Independence.

Glenn Falla, N.Y. Dec. 14.—W. H. Rogers and A. A. Russell of Boston and H. K. Kellogg of Philadelphia have placed orders with Greenwald, the designer of the yacht Independence, for two yachts of the same design, one for use on Lake Champlain the coming season. The measurements are as follows: 30 feet, length of water line, 10 feet, beam, 4 feet, draught, 4 feet 6 inches, with a loaded load of 1,000 pounds. The sail area will slightly exceed 500 feet.

Miss Woodruff's Dinner in Town.

Miss Woodruff, who arrived in New York last night, to the surprise of the management of the Madison Square Garden, was met by a group of friends who were waiting for her at the hotel. She was met by a group of friends who were waiting for her at the hotel.

Trial Trip of the Marine.

The new 1,000-ton Marine and Columbia Navy auxiliary boats, recently completed by the Townsend & Downey Shipbuilding and Repair company at Elizabeth, N.J., made a most successful trial trip yesterday, developing a steady speed of 10 knots in 100 fathoms of water.

Mr. Walsh Wins at the Marine.

A man who said he was H. B. Walsh, an official of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, notified the Federal police yesterday that a package had been sent him by mail, and that it contained a large sum of money.

The Gifts That Endure Forever

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HANDS OFF TO THE BOSSES.

CHAIRMAN CAMPBELL'S IDEA FOR DEMOCRATIC HARMONY.

He Proposes to Let the Delegates to the State Convention Name the Ticket—Thinks a Little Autonomy Would Lure Back Deserters to the Party.

The Hon. Frank Campbell of Bath, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, was at the Hoffman House on Saturday night and told of a scheme by which, in his opinion, Democratic harmony in the State of New York could be accomplished.

Mr. Campbell said that the scheme consisted in bringing order out of the chaos that has existed in the Democratic organization in the State since Bryanism smashed it all to pieces in 1896. Mr. Campbell has always been known as a Hill man, and yet he is not on unfriendly terms with Mr. Croker or Mr. Murphy, and he likes Mr. McLaughlin very much.

Mr. Campbell said that he believed it is time for the Democrats of the State to get together, and of course this is one of the problems that will confront them during the next gubernatorial campaign. To say that the Democratic leaders, Mr. Hill, Mr. Croker, Mr. McLaughlin and Mr. Murphy, are not on unfriendly terms is not to say that they are not in disagreement. Mr. Campbell said that he believed it is time for the Democrats of the State to get together, and of course this is one of the problems that will confront them during the next gubernatorial campaign.

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SUIT CASES of sole leather, finely finished; 12-inch, \$4.25; 20-inch, \$5.00.

PAJAMETTES of heavy twill flannel, pink and light blue, for boys and girls; 3 to 5 yrs., 95c.

PAJAMAS for Boys and Youths, Scotch flannel, pretty patterns; 10 to 16 yrs., \$1.90

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BOYS' HOUSE COATS, \$4.00 to \$7.00

60-62 West 23d St.

DEWEY GONE TO BE MARRIED.

Big Kaiser Carries Many Wedding Presents, Bound for Nice.

Senator Chauncey M. Dewey, glowing with his prospective bride, Miss Mary Palmer, sailed yesterday for Europe aboard the North German Lloyd steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. A multitude of his friends saw him off. In the cargo compartments of the ship were many big and little packages. Senator Dewey will go with his bride to Paris, where they will spend most of their time until Jan. 4, when they will go to Chartreuse and take ship for this port. The Senator expects to be in the Senate on Jan. 15. In regard to the report that there were two tons of wedding presents aboard the big Kaiser, the Senator said: "I don't know how much they weigh. As to my own present to Miss Palmer I can say nothing except that the wedding presents are in the ship. It is on this or some other ship I do not know."

Senator Dewey said that he would be married on Friday, Dec. 21.

STATE CANVASSERS MEET.

The Constitutional Amendment Delegates Assembled at 45,000 Majority.

ALBANY, Dec. 14.—The State Board of Canvassers met today and announced the vote of the last meeting. The canvassers showed the Constitutional amendment to have a majority vote in favor of its adoption of 45,000. The vote for was 45,000 and against 4,000. The blank and defective ballots and uncounted 280,000. The members of the board present were Secretary of State McLaughlin, Attorney General James and State Engineer Board.

William D. Barlow and Martin F. Lewis, Republicans, were declared elected for the Board of Canvassers. The board also announced the vote for the amendment to the Constitution. The vote for was 45,000 and against 4,000. The blank and defective ballots and uncounted 280,000.

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